



DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY - PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare: that my citizenship, residence and post office address are as stated below. I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one is named below) or a joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the invention entitled:

LANDSCAPING CHANNEL LINER APPARATUS,

the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability in 37 C.F.R 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s):

| | Number | Country | Date (mm/dd/yyyy) | Priority <u>Claimed?</u> | Certified Copy Attached? |
|--------|-----------------------------------|---------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | | | □Yes □ No | □Yes □ No |
| applic | I hereby clain cation(s) listed b | | under 35 U.S.C. | 119(e) of any United | States provisional |
| | Application N | lo. | Date Filed (mm/dd/yyyy) | | |
| | 60/408,371 | | 09/05/2002 | • | |

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 of any United States application(s), or 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed

1

in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

U.S. Parent Application Filing Date Parent Patent No. or PCT Parent Number (mm/dd/yyyy) (if applicable)

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following registered practitioner(s) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

Bobby B. Gillenwater, Reg. No. 31,105; Gregory S. Cooper, Reg. No. 40,965; William R. Coffey, Reg. No. 24,023; Perry Palan, Reg. No. 26,213; Richard D. Conard, Reg. No. 27,321; Mark M. Newman, Reg. No. 31,472; Richard A. Rezek, Reg. No. 30,796; Dilip A. Kulkarni, Reg. No. 27,510; Jill T. Powlick, Reg. No. 42,088; Arland T. Stein, Reg. No. 28,062; Paul B. Hunt, Reg. No. 37,154; Alice O. Martin, Reg. No. 35,601; Grant H. Peters, Reg. No. 35,977, James B. Conte, Reg. No. P54,661, Dennis M. McWilliams, Reg. No. 25,195, William M. Lee, Jr., Reg. No. 26,935, Glenn W. Ohlson, Reg. No. 28,455, Howard B. Rockman, Reg. No. 22,190, Jeffrey R. Gray, Reg. No. 33,391, Timothy J. Engling, Reg. No. 39,970, Gerald S. Geren, Reg. No. 24,528, Peter J. Shakula, Reg. No. 40,808, Thomas J. Donovan, Reg. No. 33,231, Richard B. Lazarus, Reg. No. 48,215, Jeffrey A. Michael, Reg. No. 37,394, Ronald S. Henderson, Reg. No. 43,669, Shawn D. Bauer, Reg. No. 41,603, and Christopher E. Haigh, Reg. 46,377.

Please direct all communications to the following address:

Barnes & Thornburg 600 One Summit Square Fort Wayne, Indiana 46802 (260) 423-9440

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are

Express Mail No. EV 329 805 507 US Docket No. 20794/82667

punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and that such willful false statement may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

| Date $9/3/03$ Signature $3/0$ | nd de | | | | |
|--|--------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Inventor Loren R. Graber | Citizenship U.S.A. | | | | |
| Post Office Address 30338 C.R. 56, Nappanee, Indiana | 46550 | | | | |
| Residence Address 30338 C.R. 56, Nappanee, Indiana 46550 | | | | | |
| · | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| Date 9/9/03 Signature Kund | J Heet | | | | |
| Inventor Randy J. Meert | Citizenship U.S.A. | | | | |
| Post Office Address 15009 Kelly Road, Mishawaka, In | diana 46544 | | | | |
| Residence Address15009 Kelly Road, Mishawaka, Indi | ana 46544 | | | | |
| , | | | | | |

FWDS01 GSC 174349_1